

REMARKS

Claims 1-54 are pending in the application. By this paper, claims 9-12, 14, 25, and 27 are withdrawn (over the immediately preceding paper filed November 4, 2004). The instant application is pending a second Restriction Requirement. By this paper Applicants elect to prosecute Group II. Thus, Claims 1-34, and 42-49 are withdrawn from consideration without prejudice or disclaimer. As the election of species requirement is directed solely to Group I it is believed no response is required. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the withdrawn claims in appropriate divisional applications. Additionally, Applicants traverse the election requirement as the election is overly burdensome and the generic claims are believed to be allowable.

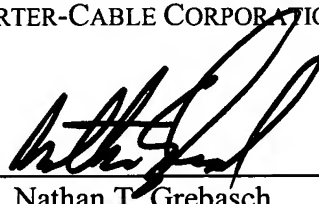
CONCLUSIONS

In light of the forgoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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